



Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

BIG GAME COMMERCIAL SERVICES BOARD

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Representative Edgmon State Capitol Room 208 Juneau AK 99801

RE: Opposition of HB 267

Dear Committee Members,

The State of Alaska Big Game Commercial Services Board (BGCSB) held a teleconference board meeting on Thursday, February 1st, 2018 to discuss many of the proposed legislative bills that have been introduced this session and the potential impacts they may have on the Big Game Guiding and Transporter industries the board is tasked in regulating.

With regards to HB 267, after robust discussion and deliberation, the board unanimously voted to oppose HB 267. The consensus was that the original intent and understanding was that these forms were to be held in strict confidence and that over time this has been slowly eroded. The board does not wish to continue, or support, this erosion. This would also add additional costs to the Division and the BGCSB, neither of which seems prudent at this time, when there are many other ways that municipalities can gather this same information. As such, we are opposed to HB 267.

In advance, I thank you for your time and consideration and should you have any questions or if I may be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Respectfully,

Henry D. Tiffany IV Chairman, Big Game Commercial Services Board